

## Circus, Arriving in Fairmont on Schedule, Proves Better Than Show Here Last Year

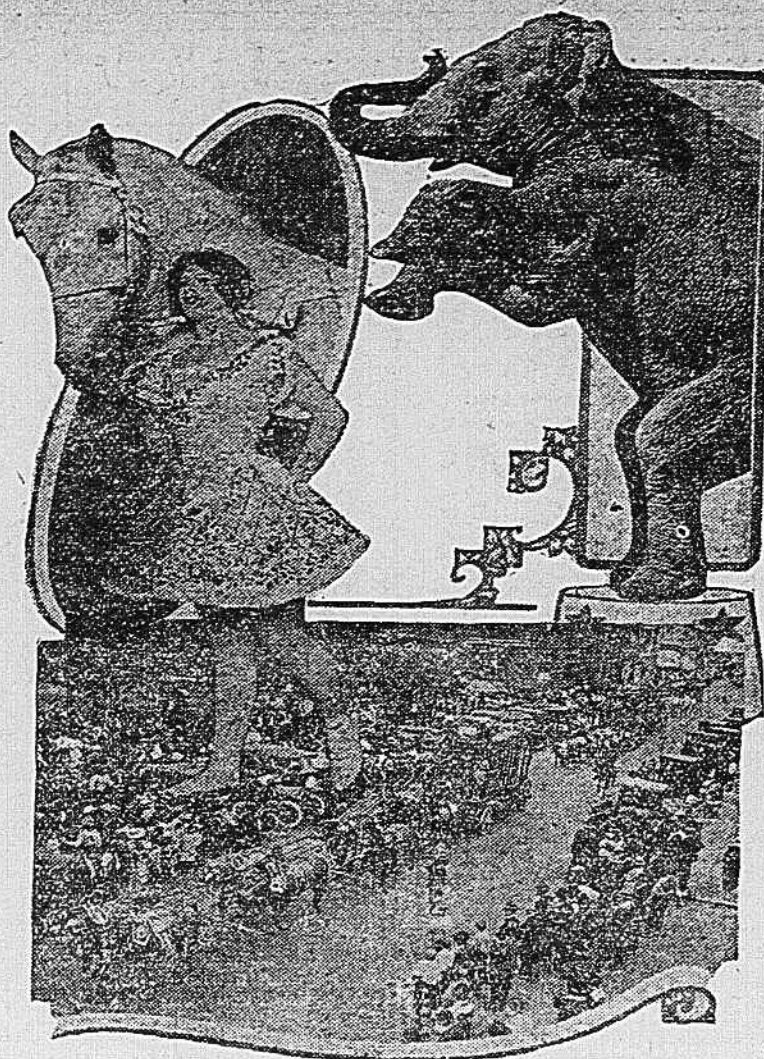
Street Parade This Morning  
Replete With Numerous  
Attractions.

The sawdust, tanbark and spangles season opened today when Sparks Circus came to town for two performances at South Side Park at Twelfth and Virginia avenue. This circus is so well known to residents of this city that it really needs no introduction and it goes without saying that it is the same high class exhibition of old, the only difference being that it has nearly doubled in size and now stands as one of the very leaders in the "big show" class. The free street spectacle which took place this morning at the advertised time 10:30 a. m. was punctuated with many novelties and gave evidence of the wonderful performances to be seen in the "big top." From the eight-horse band wagon in the lead, to the lumbering elephants and steam callopes in the rear, it was just one surprise after another, and it is safe to say that never has there been such a gathering of fine horses as these that are seen in the Sparks parade.

All cages, trappings and paraphernalia were resplendent in gold and silver, which is the trademark of all well-regulated circuses and particularly this one. The old parade about all circuses being alike was shattered completely at the performance this afternoon, and the opening spectacle "Visions of Arabia" with its score of high-stepping thoroughbreds, beautifully blanketed elephants and camels, handomely gowned singing and dancing girls was a vision long to be remembered. It was brought to a close by LaVerne Venable, "the diva of the white-tops," rendering in a charming manner, a selection to the accompaniment of the Jack Phillips Concert Band, while seated in a huge "howdah" on the back of the largest of the elephant herd. The spectacular pageant gave the performance a proper start, and it contained act after act of exceptional merit, chief among them being the Aerial Walters, the Barkin trio of comedy, furniture movers, the great Koban and Duo troupe of Japanese marvels, the Flying Yanks, Aerial Earles, Beatrice Jung, "the golden girl in the golden whirl," Mardo Tro and the Carbone brothers, acrobatic groups. Riders of exceptional merit are the two Guites, the Hollis family and dainty Flora Bedini. Trained animals predominate at the Sparks Circus and many acts of a startling nature were in evidence, chief of which were the Captain Tiebort musical and rope-walking seals, Bartlett's banyard circus, the Woodford posing horses and dogs, LaVerne Venable and her trained doves and marble horses, Minnie Thompson and her pretty assistants introducing the Sparks stable of all-room horses, Florence Mantellette and her prize winner, "Mazepa," Hurd's riding baboons and collies, Caesar, champion high-jumping horse of the world and two herds of remarkably well-trained elephants, each herd being worked by lady trainers. Thrills were plentiful and many gasps of wonderment were in evidence when the darling little Japanese marvel Bakata descended from the top of the tent to the ground with lightning like rapidity on a threadlike wire. There is much to amuse in the Sparks performance, and one of the main factors was Pete Marde and his group of "Joey" assistants, who are plentiful and positively funny. The evening performance will start at 8 o'clock, with the doors opening at 7 in order to give everybody an opportunity to visit the menagerie and horse-fair.

After a long continued experimental diet including one-fourth part of white pine sawdust, cows showed no change in their weight or milk production.

SCENES AT CIRCUS HERE TODAY



Flora Bedini, the equestrienne, in the upper left hand corner, and Old Jerry, the clown elephant, in the upper right hand corner, are among the many big features of the Sparks Circus here today, which has brought hundreds of persons to Fairmont.

perpetrators of this new treason have overlooked one of the great essentials of the American people; that law is but an expression of the nation's will, and the will power of America has ever met apparently insuperable difficulties and changed them into world amazing achievements.

"This law was ratified by forty-six states, the largest number of states that had ever ratified a constitutional amendment."

Americanism is Issue

"The real issue that underlies all the contest over prohibition enforcement is Americanism in contrast with old lawlessness and anarchy. It is no mere expression of pride to say that when America will stop that which other nations have not done, she will not fail of that achievement."

"This is an hour when the bur-

den of the war rests heavily upon people through the imposition of taxes, and the astute propagandist has pointed to the fact that prohibition will cost the government nearly \$10,000,000 this coming year.

"However, if we were to collect the fines, penalties and special tax imposed upon violators of the law in the first six months of this administration, they would more than pay two and one-half times the estimated cost of enforcing the prohibition law for the next year."

"These enormous figures do not include nearly \$3,000,000 in bonds that are being forfeited to the government, or \$2,000,000 that have been offered in compromise by twenty-one of the largest violators of the law, and do not include \$6,000,000 in differential or prohibitive tax."

## BIG DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH AMERICA

Locomotive Works Man Predicts Marvelous Things for Neighbor Continent.

PHILADELPHIA, May 11.—F. de St. Phalle, vice president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, told the delegates to the National Foreign Trade Convention here today that the future holds out bright prospects for South America and for the United States.

"South America will develop at an increasing rate because it is the most attractive and richest of the thinly populated sections available," he continued. "A larger proportion of this development will be financed and carried out with the assistance of the United States."

"Economic factors governing the movement of exchange are now better understood in South America," he continued, "and the many loans recently issued from New York to South American countries, coupled with the rising tendency of exchange, have greatly improved the feeling. In the future South America looks to increasing growth carried out to an increasing extent with the assistance and business co-operation, all of which is being prepared for at this time."

"With the general recovery of trade, South American exchanges may be expected to rise. Some of them have already done so. The Argentine will unquestionably return to a gold exchange within a comparatively short time."

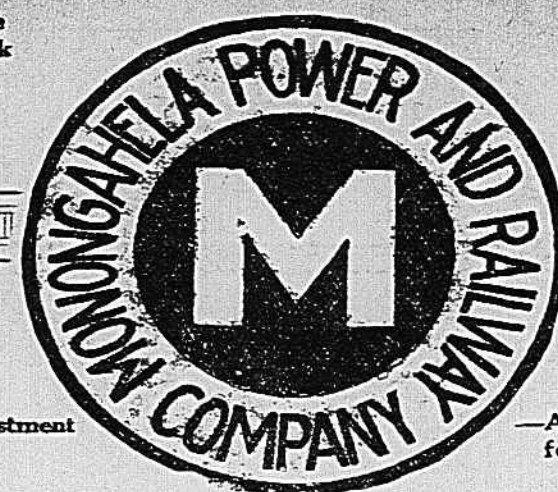
Referring to the complaints which had been made to the cancellation of orders for United States goods in South America, Mr. St. Phalle said:

"Careful investigation of the matter on the ground shows that the wrongs were not all one-sided. Some South American houses have taken undue advantage of the fall in prices to cancel orders, but many cases of excessive delay in delivery, non-compliance with orders, defective shipment, etc., on the part of American houses, have a perfect right for cancellation which I am convinced would have been exercised in the United States in the same manner."

"These cancellations should be reckoned as part of the post-war adjustment now being made. Unfortunately considerable loss to many was unavoidable. The frozen goods were being steadily disposed of."

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"Your company" recognizes that its own prosperity depends upon the progress and prosperity of this community. The more prosperous this section of the state becomes, the more demand there'll be for Monongahela Power and Railway service and the happier the people will be.

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